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COURSE OUTLINE

Texts

Thomas Pugel, **International Economics**, twelfth edition, Irwin/McGraw-Hill, 2003.

Charles Wheelan, **Naked Economics: Undressing the Dismal Science**, Norton, 2002.

Jim Eggert, **Invitation to Economics**, Mayfield Publishing, Company, 1991 (on the website).

Richard Kugler and Ellen Frost, **The Global Century, Globalization and National Security**, NDU Press, 2001 (-- a bit dated, but on the website).

ASSIGNMENTS

The assignments below are mainly from the texts. The main text, Pugel provides good background, but most of the class discussion will be on the papers posted on the website under "readings for next class". The Wheelan book provides a good background of economic thinking with some applications of economics to contemporary issues. All the papers and references that we will need for the course can be found on the website.

Introduction (January 11)

Pugel, chapter 1
Wheelan, forward, introduction

Basic Microeconomic Concepts (January 13)

Eggert, chapters 1, 2, 3, 4, 10, 11.
Wheelan, Chapter 1.

Topics in Microeconomics--Markets and Competition (January 18)

Eggert, chapters 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17
Wheelan, Chapters 2, 3, 4

Introduction to the Theories of International Trade (January 20)

Pugel, chapters 2, 3
Wheelan, Chapter 5

Modern Theories of Trade (January 25)

Pugel, chapters 4, 5 and 6
Wheelan, Chapter 6

Tariffs and Non-Tariff Barriers (January 27)

Pugel, chapters 7, 8
Eggart, chapter 18.
Wheelan, Chapter 7

Arguments for and Against Protectionism (February 3)

Pugel, chapter 9

Trade Agreements, Environment and US Policy—GATT/WTO (February 8)

Pugel, chapter 10, 12,

Security, Global Competition and United States Trade Policy (February 10)

David Denoon, Economics and National Security, Ch 10 in K&F

Economic Integration--North America/Europe (February 15)

Pugel, chapter 11

Trade Policy and Developing Countries (February 17)

Pugel, chapter 13.
Wheelan, Chapters 11, 12
Jeffrey Sachs, Globalization and Patterns of Economic Development, Weltwirtschaftliches Archiv, 2000

MIDTERM EXAMINATION (February 22)

Balance of Payments, Introduction to Exchange Rates (February 24)

Pugel, chapters 15, 16, 17.

Determinants of Exchange Rates (March 1)

Pugel chapter 18, 19
Eggert, Chapter 19

Introduction to Macroeconomics/Balance of Payments Adjustment (March 3, 8)

Eggart, chapters 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9.
Pugel, chapters 21, 22.
Wheelan, Chapters 9, 10

International Monetary System (March 10)

Pugel, chapters, chapters 23, 24
Dani Rodrik, How Far Will International Economic Integration Go? Journal of Economic Perspectives, Winter 2000

Factor Movements (March 15)

Pugel, chapter, 14

International Lending, Debt Crisis (December March 15)

Pugel, chapter 20

Foreign Investment/Multinationals/Future Patterns of Globalization (March 17)

Eggert, Chapter 20
Wheelan, epilog

Final Examination (March 21, 1300-1500 Glasgow 130)

Course Grade

There are several options for a course grade:

Midterm and Country/Topic Paper (20 or so pages)--50% each

Midterm and Final Examination--50% each

For those who have taken 3041 there is the option of a major research paper (30 or so pages)—100%